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Dear Kimura san:

Pursuant to instructions in your letter of March 15, 2007, today we filed a Petition to Withdraw From Issue Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313 (c)(2), an IDS and a Request for Continued Examination today via facsimile with the U.S. Patent Office. The confirmation copy of this facsimile encloses two copies of the petition, the IDS and the RCE application transmittal form, along with two copies of an invoice for services rendered.

The petition should be granted within a day or two, as the PTO reviews petitions to withdraw on an expedited basis. We will let you know by fax or email as soon as we receive a decision.

Please keep in mind that our duty to disclose all known material prior art to the Patent Office continues to exist as long as this application is pending.

Best regards,


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